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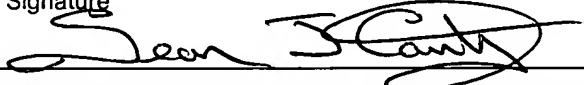
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This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.		
Name of Patentee(s) Slais et al.		
Patent Number 6,386,593B1	Date Patent Issued May 14, 2002	
Title of Invention Dual-Plane Seal for Fluid-Tight Conduit Connection		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.</p> <p>One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".</p> <p>The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.</p>		
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Inventor Robert J. Slais	Citizenship USA
Residence/Mailing Address 4372 Welland Drive, West Bloomfield, MI 48323	
Inventor Johnny R. Blankenship	Citizenship USA
Residence/Mailing Address 115 Ledbetter Lane, Allons, TN 38541	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional Inventors are named on separately numbered sheets attached hereto.	
Patent Number 6,386,593B1	Date of Patent Issued May 14, 2002
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<p>I believe said inventor(s) to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in said patent, for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled:</p> <p>Dual-Plane Seal for Fluid-Tight Conduit Connection</p> <hr/> <p>the specification of which</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> was filed on _____ as reissue application number _____ / _____</p> <p>and was amended on _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(If applicable)</p> <p>I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.</p> <p>I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b). Attached is form PTO/SB/02B (or equivalent) listing the foreign applications.</p> <p>I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> by reason of a defective specification or drawing.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> by reason of other errors.</p>	

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Inventor: Slais et al.
Title: Dual-Plane Seal for Fluid-tight Conduit Connection

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Application No./Patent No.: 6,386,593B1 Filed/Issue Date: May 14, 2002

Entitled: DUAL-PLANE SEAL FOR FLUID-TIGHT CONDUIT CONNECTION

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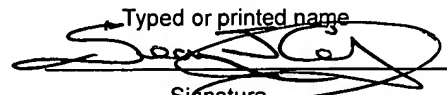
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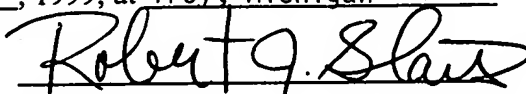
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AND, WHEREAS Automotive Fluid Systems, Inc., a corporation of Delaware, having an office at 1835 Technology Drive, Troy, Michigan 48083-4244, (herein called AUTOMOTIVE) has previously acquired the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements pursuant to an in compliance with the provisions of our employee patent agreements heretofore executed by us and desires to confirm said acquisition;

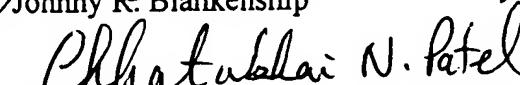
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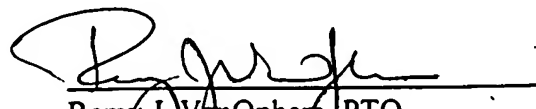
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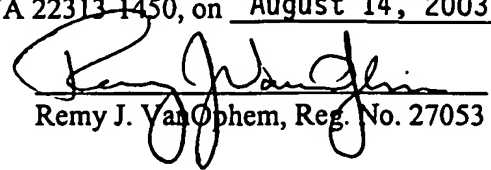
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